

# FOR YOUR INFORMATION

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## HOMECOMING WEEKEND APPROACHES

### ACTIVITIES PLANNED SEPTEMBER 19-20

The Office of Alumni and Parent Relations is putting the final touches on this year's Homecoming weekend.

With the theme "Oiler Pride Rings Again," Homecoming is set for Sept. 19-20.



Joseph J. Camillone '68

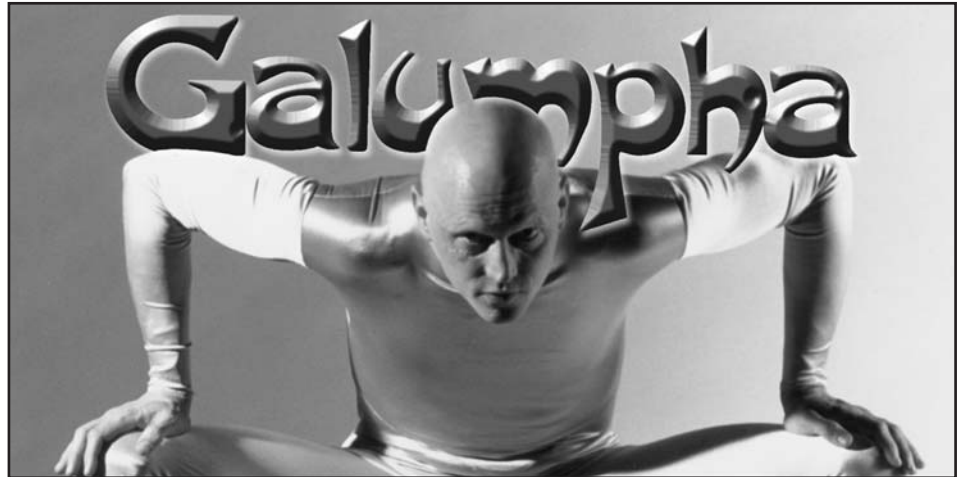
Highlights of the weekend include a performance by Galumph, Inc., on Friday at 8 p.m. in the

Alumni Memorial Union. This group will use physical feats of imagination, beauty and muscle as they entertain the audience. Galumph is a mix of art and entertainment, offering world-class, award-winning choreography that is equally at home on the concert stage, at a comedy club or at an outdoor festival. Tickets are free for UF students with ID and \$5 for faculty and staff. They are available by calling the Office of Student Activities at x4746.



V. Ruth McDowell '51

The Alumni Homecoming Brunch will be held Saturday from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. in the Alumni Memorial Union. Joseph J. Camillone '68, V. Ruth



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McDowell '51 and Dr. Darrel F. Linder '43 will be honored as Distinguished Alumni. Recipients of the Old Main Award, Marian Lowe '97, and the Gold Medallion Award, the late Anthony Thompson '88, will be recognized. The Golden Diploma Ceremony will honor the class of 1953, and the traditional Rose Ceremony will be held.



Dr. Darrel F. Linder '43

Dedication of the Old Main Bell is set for 11 a.m. Saturday on the Cory Street Mall. This project represents a gift from the classes of 1953 and 2003 to UF.

From 1 to 4 p.m. at the James L. Child Jr. Equestrian Complex, the

Family Equestrian Festival will be sponsored by the Alumni Association. Pony rides, wagon rides and jumping demonstrations will be featured.

Steve's Dakota Grill Night Tailgate will begin at 4:30 p.m. at Donnell Stadium. Dinner tickets are \$5, and restaurant vouchers will be given to the first 2,000 people through the gate.

The Oiler football team will take on Northwood University at 6 p.m. on Saturday, with halftime activities including a performance by the Oiler Brass marching band and announcement of the Homecoming King and Queen.

Other athletic activities throughout the weekend include women's volleyball at 7 p.m. on Friday and 3 p.m. on Saturday, women's soccer at noon on Saturday and men's soccer at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday.

# KOREAN EDUCATOR VISITS UF

By Charlene J. Hankinson  
Executive Director of University Relations

Early childhood education is very similar between the United States and Korea, according to Kyung-hee "Lisa" Lee.

She is a professor in the Department of Early Childhood Education at Jaeneung College in Incheon, South Korea, located near the capital of Seoul. "What is different are the methods and tools," she observed.

Lee is visiting The University of Findlay for three months in order to research early childhood education methods and to observe UF's students during their field experiences. She noted that American teacher education programs are more focused on field experiences than their counterpart programs in Korea.

"I want to share information on both sides of U.S.-Korean early childhood education and discuss what is the best way to train students to be successful early childhood educators," she stated.

Lee remarked that early childhood experiences greatly impact who children become as adults and noted the great effect teachers have on their children. "Their later life is in our hands," she said, emphasizing the importance of the role of teachers.

Not only is she concerned about creating better teachers, but she is interested in researching the impact of gender role models on young children. She said that very few men choose careers in early childhood education in Korea. She commented that this becomes a particular



Lisa Lee observes the pre-kindergarten screening of Andrea Frank at Northview Primary School. Kindergarten teacher Sharon Cramer performed the screening.

issue for children raised by mothers in single-parent homes. That is why she is also studying gender stereotypes and wants to discover ways to encourage more male teachers.

She has had the opportunity to discuss U.S. teacher training methods with Dorothy Copas, assistant professor of education and director of the early childhood education program, and others. "We share information on both sides," Lee said. She also visited Northview Primary School, where she observed a kindergarten screening.

Lee first heard about The University of Findlay through a colleague and then visited Findlay's Web site. Impressed with what she saw, she contacted Diana

Jones-Manley, director of international affairs/IELP, who helped arrange her visit.

"The program and curriculum of early childhood education (at The University of Findlay) are designed with diversity and creativity," she said.

When Lee returns to Korea in mid-November, she will report to her supervisors and share her experiences with her colleagues and students.

She offered her thanks to Diana Jones-Manley, Dr. Melissa Cain, Dorothy Copas and others on the faculty for their help. "The faculty members are marvelous people. They are all kind, warm and share time with me, even though they are so busy," she said. "I am very appreciative."



## FIFTH THIRD BANK PRESENTS UNIVERSITY WITH GRANT

Fifth Third Bank, trustee for the Charles E. Schell Foundation, presented a second-year grant of \$25,000 to The University of Findlay to be used for interest-free loans to students. This is the second of four installments totaling \$100,000 that UF is eligible to receive.

The grant monies are earmarked for interest-free educational assistance loans to students who otherwise might be unable to complete their education.

Pictured here are Fifth Third Bank representatives Craig Burnside, vice president of commercial banking; Mark Cassin, city executive; Bruce Lee, president; Dr. Freed and Dane Erford, controller.

# CAMPUS ENJOYS MARKET ON THE MALL



Lorena Oman, owner and operator of the Lambs Ear Bed & Breakfast, talks with Dr. Dale Brougher, dean of the College of Liberal Arts, during Market on the Mall Sept. 4.



Students registered to win a framed print from Ben Franklin in Findlay. Sherri McBrien, manager, and Cindy VanderVlucht, frame shop manager, worked the booth at Market on the Mall.



Domino's Pizza, one of the exhibitors, offered students, faculty and staff an opportunity to sign up for a free pizza drawing. Those who signed up were also given a free cup and a coupon for free breadsticks.



A beautiful fall day allowed friends to gather on the Mall.



The Offices of Student Activities and Institutional Advancement, which sponsored Market on the Mall, provided food to the exhibitors. Missy Erdman, temporary administrative assistant, and student Ryan Weaks assisted.



Another exhibitor, Home Depot, gave away free hot dogs at the event.

Dr. Milt Peters, professor of psychology, stops to talk with exhibitor Jeanne Wasbro of Wasbro Rental Property.



# EQUESTRIAN PROGRAM TO BENEFIT FROM SENTIMENTAL JOURNEY BALL

The University of Findlay's Grand Prix Club will host its first Sentimental Journey Ball on Saturday, Sept. 27, from 6 to 11 p.m. at the James L. Child Jr. Equestrian Complex.

Themed "A Sentimental Journey," the ball has been organized to strengthen the English equestrian program following the loss of 14 horses due to the equine herpes virus earlier this year and to assist the program in hosting the Tournament of Champions, a two-day competition that brings nearly 30 college equestrian teams to Findlay.

Nancy Wilder, founder of the 40-member Grand Prix Club, has arranged to borrow all the decorations from the Lexington Ball, one of Kentucky's most prestigious balls.

Decorations for the ball include a seven-foot, moss-covered rearing horse, a five-foot moss-covered cantering horse, two three-foot gold horse floral containers, black, white and gray marble dance floor, 200 gold and silver lament fabric panels, 400 art deco boxes, six seven-foot tall boxes with canopies and six chandeliers.

Patrons will begin their journey with a silent auction, a lavish evening meal and entertainment, followed by the big band sounds of The Night Jazz and The Nightingales for listening enjoyment.

Tickets for the ball are \$150 per person, \$300 per couple or \$1,200 for a table of eight. Proceeds are tax deductible as provided by law.

For an invitation, contact Beth Gault at x4085 or gault@findlay.edu.



Members of the Grand Prix Club pose with some of the Lexington decorations that will be used for the University's Sentimental Journey Ball. The donations were transported to Findlay through the generosity of Dr. Vern Garner, owner of Garner Trucking, Inc., and a member of the UF Board of Trustees.

## NEW FACULTY PROFILE: DAVID ESSINGER

Assistant Professor of English David Essinger is new to The University of Findlay faculty this fall.

A 1997 magna cum laude graduate of Miami University with a bachelor's degree in philosophy, Essinger went on to earn his master of fine arts degree in fiction writing from the School of Art Institute of Chicago in 2000.

Prior to coming to UF, Essinger worked as an instructor at Malone College in Canton, Ohio, and at



Edison Community College in Piqua, Ohio, both since 2000. He also was a writing consultant with the College of Wooster since 2002.

Essinger was a finalist in the novel-in-progress category for the 2001 William Faulkner Creative Writing Competition for his work *A Near-Life Experience*.

## FACULTY IN PRINT

Below are four more faculty members at The University of Findlay who have had works published:

### Dr. Quentin R. Skrabec Jr.,



assistant professor of business, is the author of *Saintly Lessons and Divine Concepts* (2000) and *St. Benedict's Rule for Business* (2002). He has also published

50 business articles on management systems, organizational design and total quality management. In addition, he is the recipient of the first *USA Today* National Award for Team Management, was named Automotive Professional of the Year in 1994 by the American Society of Quality Control and has patents on a number of industrial processes.

### Ruth Ford,

assistant professor of occupational therapy, published "Service extenders: A dilemma in OT services or a business survival strategy?" in *OT Practice*, 3(5), 33-35, in 1998.



**John and Paula Wolper**, assistant professors of business and man-



agement, co-authored a chapter in Bob Brymer's text on human resources, 13th edition, for fall 2003, which is one of the most widely used texts

in hospitality education. They also co-authored the chapter in 2002. Paula was a co-author of "The Relationship Between Immediate Turnover and Employee Theft in the Restaurant Industry" for *Journal of Business and Psychology*, Vol. 15, No. 4, summer 2001.

