



Photograph by Anne Rissler Lee

Eliz Sanasarian '75 makes a point during a class discussion on Sept. 25.

NOTED SCHOLAR SHARES HER EXPERTISE ON IRAN

A Google search for “Eliz Sanasarian” provides an impressive 23 pages of Internet references to her name that include numerous scholarly articles citing her works and uniformly complimentary reviews of her well-researched books.

Eliz Sanasarian, Ph.D., is a 1975 graduate of then-Findlay College who has gone on to make a name for herself as an internationally recognized scholar. She is considered an authority on Iranian politics, religion and women’s rights, topics that are vastly intertwined in a country that is ruled by clerics. She has written two books, “The Women’s Rights Movement in Iran: Mutiny, Appeasement and Repression from 1900 to Khomeini” and “Religious Minorities in Iran.”

Fluent in Persian, Armenian and English, Sanasarian came from Iran to the United States after her freshman year at the University of Shiraz and completed her sophomore year through a foreign exchange program with Kent State University. Wanting to continue her studies in the U.S., she found Findlay College through a friend’s parents who lived in Findlay. Sanasarian was awarded a President’s Scholarship at Findlay College that provided tuition, room and

board for one foreign student each year. To further support herself, she worked two and three on-campus jobs during her junior and senior years. She said she especially enjoyed working in Shafer Library. A studious person who always loved to read, Sanasarian enjoyed class discussions

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Eliz Sanasarian, on Professor Emily Geer

and interaction with students and faculty, she said. A class on “Social History of America” taught by Emily Geer, Ph.D., professor of history and social science, introduced her to the history of the women’s rights movement in the U.S.

“She was my mentor,” Sanasarian said and noted that Geer was a good role model of a woman succeeding in academia. “Her class, it really changed me. She was always there to encourage me, and I loved the discussions we had,” Sanasarian recalled.

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CHARNESES' \$200,000 GIFT TO OFFER STUDENTS ON-CAMPUS LIVING EXPERIENCE

A.R. Charnes '66, and his wife, Mary Ann, have announced a unique \$200,000 gift that will help enable deserving students to experience the benefits of on-campus living at The University of Findlay.

"Students who live on campus are able to get involved with activities, creating lifelong friendships. And they have a better opportunity to develop the core personal values that can guide them for the rest of their lives," Charnes said.

The gift was announced at the Annual Alumni Recognition Dinner on Oct. 12. Interest from the endowed fund established by the gift will provide room and board assistance to deserving students who otherwise might not be able to afford to live on campus, beginning in fall 2008. During his visit, Charnes also shared insights with students as guest speaker for the fall 2007 College of Business Visiting Executive Lecture Series on Oct. 12.

Charnes, who is the vice president of marketing for Getty Petroleum Marketing Inc., recommended that students be willing to work hard and sacrifice to achieve their goals. He also advised that they learn how to accept risk, to recover after failure and to embrace success, even though they may become a target for others' criticism. In addition, he emphasized the ability to adapt to change and encouraged American and international students on campus to interact and learn about each other's cultures.

Charnes, a native of French Lick, Ind., is a 1966 graduate of Findlay College where he played on the varsity basketball team and participated in golf while earning a degree in marketing. Mary Ann (Heitmeyer) Charnes, a native of Putnam County, Ohio, attended classes and worked at the college during the '70s and '80s. Their daughter, Renee, graduated from the institution in 1985.

After his graduation, Charnes began his career with Marathon Oil Co. where he served as manager of a variety of assignments, including marketing, credit cards, advertising, merchandising, special

projects, real estate management and fuel oil sales and delivery operations. In 1988, he joined Getty Petroleum Corp. as New England regional manager and was later promoted to northern division manager. He was named vice president of marketing in 1998. After the Lukoil takeover of Getty Petroleum Inc. in January 2001, he was appointed to his current position.

After an illustrious 41-year career in the oil industry, Charnes will retire effective February 2008. He and his wife have recently relocated to McCormick, S.C.

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A.R. Charnes '66, left, and his wife, Mary Ann, accept a gift from University president Dr. DeBow Freed during the Alumni Recognition Dinner Oct. 12.

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GOT NEWS?

Whether it's updating us on what you've been up to since graduation or a nomination for next year's alumni awards, we'd like to hear from you! We'll publish information about births, marriages, new jobs and recent awards or promotions. **Send us your news at www.findlay.edu, KEYWORD: Alumni.**

Unique Facts

UNIVERSITY

The UF community wrapped up its 125th Anniversary, "Celebrating the Past, Embracing the Future," with a flourish during Homecoming weekend, including lectures by College of Sciences alumna Jeanne Stuckey, Ph. D., assistant research scientist at the University of Michigan, who took her listeners "From Physics to Pharmaceuticals" and A.R. Charnes '66, a Visiting Executive in the College of Business, who gave an address on "The Need for Values-Driven Executives in the Global Marketplace." Visitors also enjoyed the final of three exhibits, "Alumni, Athletics and Homecoming" at the Hancock Historical Museum as well as a closing service, "Celebration: On Our Way Rejoicing" at Winebrenner Theological Seminary. We now move forward confidently into the next 125 years!

ACADEMICS

UF is strengthening its ties with the Fulbright Program. This fall, the University hosted a six-week visit from Fulbright Visiting Specialist Murtala Bidmos, Ph.D., who visited many classrooms, coordinated lessons with religious faculty and participated in off-campus community service projects as well as presenting a public lecture, "Islam in Modern Times." This follows a spring visit by Hancy Pierre, dean of the College of Human Sciences at the State University of Haiti in Port-au-Prince, who educated UF students, faculty and staff on issues relating to immigrant and refugee populations. Affiliation with this prestigious program strengthens our academic programs and enriches the student learning experience.

DEVELOPMENT

The 125th Endowed Fund Drive, kicked off July 1, 2006, has surpassed its initial goal of raising \$1.25 million in endowed funds during the 125th Anniversary celebration. A new goal of creating 125 endowed funds has been established. So far the equivalent of 50 funds has been established with 365 donors committing over \$2 million in cash and pledges to the endowment. Endowed funds are important because they solidify the financial base of the University.

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ALUMNI NEWS



Dee Dee Spraw

[Director's Message]

Dear Alumni,

Alumni of Findlay College/The University of Findlay "celebrated the past and embraced the future" during Homecoming 2007. Picture-perfect weather contributed to the record-breaking attendance at many events held during Homecoming weekend

Beginning the week, faculty and staff participated in a contest to see which office did the best job of decorating its door with the Homecoming theme. An

appreciation luncheon was held for faculty and staff who are FC/UF alumni. More than 100 alumni work full time at the University, making up approximately 20 percent of the entire full-time faculty and staff. Alumni also returned as guest speakers and presenters in the classrooms throughout the week.

More than 200 participants in the 5K and Little Oiler Fun Run started off Saturday's activities by raising \$2,800 for Open Arms Domestic Violence and Rape Crisis Services and \$900 for the A-T Cure Tour. The celebration on the front lawn that followed was a true celebration of our alumni, students and the University family enjoying the festivities.

As 2007 comes to a close, my thanks to all of you for your contributions to the events held. I am so fortunate to work with the alumni of Findlay College/The University of Findlay who are very passionate about their alma mater. Planning for 2008 is currently taking place to host alumni receptions at various locations around the United States. If you would like to see a reception held in your area, and/or help host a reception in your area, please let me know.

As always, please be sure to keep me updated by filling out the "What's New with You?" form at www.findlay.edu, KEYWORD: Alumni.

Dee Dee Spraw '93
Director, Alumni & Parent Relations



The brothers of Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity organized a reunion during Homecoming. Enjoying the celebration on the lawn, the members posed for a photo in front of Old Main. Shown are: (front row) Robert Melchoirre '68, David Taber '66, Marty Hoover '68, J. Edgar Kent '69, Mark McGuire '76; (second row) Gary Norman '73, Jim Zuckerman '69, William Reber '71, Joe Pundai '70, William Percy '71, Robert Minto '69; (third row) Robert Donahue '71, Ed Spencer '67, Jonathan "Doc" Tullis '66; (fourth row) Charles T. Tarr '75, George Mack '70, Robert Thoma '68, William Hayes '73, Richard Spann '70.

Alumni Calendar of Events

Alumni receptions currently are being planned in the following areas:

Toledo, Ohio
Cleveland, Ohio
Akron, Ohio
Orlando, Fla.
Sarasota, Fla.
Naples/Bonita Springs, Fla.
West Palm Beach/Wellington, Fla.
Pennsylvania
New Jersey
California

For more information about these events, or to volunteer, contact the Office of Alumni & Parent Relations at 1-800-472-9502, extension 4516.



The Office of Development and Alumni & Parent Relations hosted a welcome tent for move-in day, Friday Aug. 24. Dennis Zahler '70 (right) helped run a bingo game with prizes for new students and parents.



The Office of Alumni & Parent Relations hosted a luncheon Oct. 10 for members of The University of Findlay faculty and staff who are UF graduates.



The Findlay Summer Send-off, held on The University of Findlay campus at the Stout Alumni Center Aug. 18, included games for all ages.



Robert '57 and Catherine Pritts opened their home to new UF students and their families from the Columbus area for a Summer Send-off on Aug. 12.



The University of Findlay men's soccer alumni competed against current team members at a reunion at UF on Aug. 18. Shown, Jake Schramm '06, 2005 GLIAC Offensive Player of the Year, and Michael Albert, 2007 team captain, fight for control of the ball.



Women's soccer alumni returned for a rousing game against the women's soccer team Aug. 18. Competitors Meghan Innes '04 (left) and freshman Amanda Backmayer (right), along with the other players, enjoyed a cook-out hosted by the Office of Alumni & Parent Relations after the friendly rivalry.



Ten alumni joined 35 current members of UF's baseball team for the third annual 100-inning fundraiser on Oct. 13. Shown are (from left): assistant coach Jack Oakman, senior Spencer Ferst, senior Kyle Blessing and freshman Andrew Schramm.



Alumni swimmers participated in a meet with the UF swim team during Homecoming. Participants included (front row) Suzanne Stetz, Ericka Heiser '05, William Polk '04, Robyn Stump '06; (back row) Kyle Leber '04, Joshua Fate.

HOMECOMING ACTIVITIES



One of several touchdowns for the Oilers led to a 38-22 victory over rival Mercyhurst College at Donnell Stadium.



Homecoming royalty included 2007 Queen Laura Tietje, 2006 Queen Kimberly Jackson and 2007 King Desmond Perry.



Alumni band members joined the Oiler Brass for a halftime performance under the direction of Jack Taylor, director of bands, and Ron Cable '64.



An alumni choir of more than 100 current and former members of all FC/UF vocal groups, directed by Micheal Anders, Ph.D., director of the music program, performed for the celebration on the lawn of Old Main. The concert included "How Can I Keep from Singing" and the UF "Alma Mater Hymn," among others.



The Class of 1957 celebrated its golden anniversary with a reunion and the dedication of the class gift of the electronic message board. Attending were: (front row) Ruthanne Wohlgamuth, Judy Richter, Marjorie (Osborn '57) Fleming, Catherine Pritts, JoAnn Miller, Donna Sleasman, Cathy (Quartz '57) Ritz, June Koval, Harriet (Varano '57) Sanders, Mary (Conaway '58) Thomas, Sue Vajentic; (back row) Mira (Frost '78) Houdeshell, Eleanor (Van Sant '56) Ruggles, Marlene Taborn, John Richter '57, Richard Wohlgamuth '57, Robert Pritts '57, Stanford Ruggles '57, John Miller '57, Earl Sleasman '57, Nicholas Ritz, William Taborn '57, William Koval '57, Russ Sanders '56, Robert Thomas '57, Eddie Turner '57, Joe Vajentic '57, Jim Houdeshell '53.



Entry fees from the more than 220 runners in the 5K and 20 participants in the Little Oiler Fun Run were donated to Open Arms Domestic Violence and Rape Crisis Services. President DeBow Freed, Ph.D., presented a check for \$2,800 at the conclusion of the 5K race.



An alumni art exhibit was held in the Lea Gallery in the Gardner Pavilion to celebrate UF's 125th Anniversary. Artworks from 26 alumni were included. Shown are the artists who attended the reception Oct. 14 (from left): Reggie (Rall '88) Cameron, Amanda Frederick '05, Anita (O'Brien '86) McCandless, Margie (Butt '84) Shoop, Norbert Freese '71, Sharon Hammer Baker '90, Jonathan Stealey '84, Sherry Arnold – mother of the late Caleb Clark '98, Martina Rostorfer '02, Kathy Rea '94, Gary Wells '94, Kelly (Frye '00) Wells, Doug McCauley '82 and Bob Minto '69.



The celebration on the lawn provided fun activities with a KidsZone. Participating in the pumpkin decorating were Libby Brossia and her son, Timmy, and Olivia Morehart with her grandmother, Barbara Zahler.



The winner of the annual golf cart parade was the Oiler Environmental Safety & Health Organization (OESHO), which took top honors for the second year in a row.



Past Homecoming queens were honored during halftime at the Homecoming game. From left: Debra (Pees '79) Arce, Michelle (Stose '04) Neff, Tanya (Okuley '85) DeMoss, Rhonda (Pritts '86) Gearhart, Becky (Silliman '73) Doak, Julie (Yingling '87) Twining, Catherine (Baker '89) Johnston, Kendra (Niswander '00) Spears, Ann DeHaven '68, Kimberly Jackson '06 and Janet (Watson '54) Magsig.

Dr. David Draper, president of Winebrenner Theological Seminary, gave an address Oct. 14 on "Why the Stones?" during a worship service sponsored by Winebrenner that brought to a conclusion the activities of The University of Findlay's 125th anniversary celebration during 2007.



Nicole Wagner, president of the Class of 2007, provided remarks at the dedication of a new electronic message board installed along North Main Street in front of the Koehler Fitness and Recreation Complex. The message board is a gift from the Classes of 1957 and 2007.

Photos by Mike Blinn, Yekaterina Kontar and Anne Risser Lee

FAMILY WEEKEND



A beautiful fall day was a great time for families to enjoy a hayride at the James L. Child Equestrian Complex where the Family Equestrian Festival was held on Saturday, Sept. 29.



Anthony (front) and Michael (back) Huffman, sons of Harold (M '00) and Jennifer ('06) Huffman, enjoyed a Saturday afternoon pony ride.



A mini grand prix, featuring students and alumni competing, highlighted the Family Equestrian Festival. Here, Natassia Hovey participated on Thunder Turtle.



Students reacted to the suggestions of hypnotist Michael Anthony at the Saturday evening entertainment.



A dog agility demonstration, where dogs navigate an obstacle course, was conducted by Anne and Mike Moore, owners of Golden Collar School for Dogs in Findlay, on Saturday at the Family Equestrian Festival.



Prizes raffled by the Office of Student Activities & Commuter Student Services brought smiles during the Friday evening bonfire and hayride at the western farm on Sept. 28.

ALUMNOTES

[In Memory]

'36

Reva (Staley) Terry died Sept. 1, 2007, in Upper Sandusky, Ohio. She retired after 25 years of teaching math and English in Mifflin Township, Marseilles, Ohio, and Upper Sandusky. A member of the Marseilles Presbyterian Church, she was the church organist and pianist for 40 years, taught Sunday school for adults and young adults and served as president of the women's missionary group. She and her late husband, Maurice, established a scholarship for education majors at The University of Findlay and a room in the Alumni Memorial Union is named in their honor. Surviving are three nephews, James Staley of Lima; Terry Hartle of Upper Sandusky and Phil Hoelcher of Miami, Fla., and a niece, Anne McGiny of Scottsdale, Ariz.

'53

Martha (Rowe) Lutz '53 passed away Nov. 11, 2006, in Lemoyne, Pa.

'54

Edward Lyman passed away Feb. 15, 2007, in Urbanna, Va. He was a school psychologist for the Capital Area Intermediate Unit. He is survived by his daughters, Vicki Stephens of Virginia Beach, Va., and Pamela Lopes of Fredericksburg, Va., and six grandchildren.

'76

Rosalie (Grossman) Conner died July 23, 2007. She was a writer, musician, chalk artist, performer and storyteller who gave programs for churches, clubs, schools and other organizations for more than 50 years. A lay minister for the Presbyterian Church, she was an elder at Trinity United Presbyterian Church, Kenton. She also taught school in North Baltimore and for 20 years was with Head Start, where she was supervisor of the Home Base program. She is survived by her husband, Edwin Conner of Kenton, Ohio; sons, Luther Norris III of Holland, Ohio, and Charles Norris of Elyria, Ohio; stepdaughters, Judy Hackett of Newport News, Va., and Susan Bodnar of Dumfries, Va.; stepson, Lee Conner of Dumfries, Va.; and nine grandchildren.

'00

Darrell Ramsey Jr. passed away of a heart attack after playing basketball on Aug. 19, 2007. He was a football player all four years at UF and was named an All-American tight end in 1997, a year in which UF won an NAIA national championship. He also played basketball one year. He was a mortgage broker, and he bought and sold real estate. He is survived by his daughter, Brenee, 9; his parents, Darrell and Patti Ramsey; and his sister, **Bethany (Ramsey) Sarchet '01** of Cincinnati, Ohio.

[Friends]

Marlojean Leon-Guerrero of Findlay passed away July 17, 2007. She was a dining hall

attendant for Sodexo Food Services at The University of Findlay. She is survived by her mother, Dessie Leon-Guerrero, and a brother, Cloyd Biller of Tiffin, Ohio.

James Schmidt, recently retired assistant professor of mathematics, died Aug. 6, 2007, in Findlay. An educator for more than 42 years, he taught 30 years in the public schools from 1964-95, teaching math and algebra at Carey Public Schools and at Glenwood Junior High School and Findlay High School in Findlay. He also coached football and basketball. After retiring from public schools, he taught at Owens Community College from 1995-2002, and at The University of Findlay from 1995-2007. He was a member of the Kake Exchange Program at UF through which he traveled to Japan in 2004, and he served as a "conversation partner" for international students. He retired in May 2007. He is survived by his wife, Martha; children: Beth Ann Schmidt of Perrysburg, Ohio; Ted Schmidt of Columbus, Ohio; Deb Fields and Jackie Fields, both of Findlay; and a sister, Becky Bennett of Tiffin, Ohio.

[AlumNotes]

'48

Mary (Hall) and Robert Walker '49 celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on July 6, 2007. He practiced law and served many years as a judge, and she was an educator. They have three children, David, Elizabeth and Sarah, and a son, Jonathon, who is deceased. They live in Findlay.

'56

Fred Hirsimaki was inducted as a charter member of the Ohio Senior Olympics Hall of Fame July 27, 2007, on the Wright State University campus. This makes his eighth Hall of Fame induction since 1993. He is a Senior Olympics track and field competitor, and has set national age-group records since 1991. Competing in the 80-84 age division, he finished the indoor season ranked No. 1 in the triple jump and high jump, second in the 60-meter hurdles and fifth in the long jump by U.S. Indoor Masters Track & Field. He and his wife, Doris, also compete in the seniors bowling singles and mixed doubles. They reside in Findlay.

'67

Cam (Roberts) and Gary Taylor celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary Aug. 5, 2007. She was a teacher in the Findlay City Schools for 30 years, retiring in 1994, and currently is a supervisor in the College of Education at The University of Findlay, and he was employed with American Electric Power for 34 years before retiring in 2001. They have two children, Andrea Altman of Findlay, and Matthew Taylor of Bluffton, and five grandchildren. They live in Findlay.

'68

Richard Hite received the Findlay Rotary Club's Fort Findlay Award, given to past Findlay residents who have gone on to

distinguished careers after leaving their hometown. Beginning as a college professor at Bluffton and Findlay, he switched to a career in banking when he began working for BancOne in Columbus. He moved in 1992 to work for Visa International in California, where he became involved with Internet security and cryptology regarding electronic payments. He retired as senior vice president of emerging technologies at Visa International in 2004, and continues to serve as a consultant in risk management and data security for Visa in Europe, the Middle East and Africa.

'73

Rebecca (Silliman) Doak is the director of career development and instructor in the Department of Economics, Accounting and Business Administration at Mount Union College in Alliance, Ohio. Her husband, **Dave Doak '73**, has a new job as a sales representative for American Solutions for Business. They live in Canton, Ohio.

'75

Janet (Hinds) Pilvalis received national recognition from the National Association of Special Education Teachers for her work in the Delran school district. She was one of a few teachers nationwide to be named a 2007 Outstanding Special Education Teacher. She was named Delran Teacher of the Year in 2006, the second time she has been so honored. She resides in Mt. Laurel, N.J.

'83

Michael Bankey accepted a position at Owens Community College-Toledo campus as the vice president for workforce and community services. He resides in Bowling Green, Ohio, with his wife, Tammy, and his son, Bodie.

'87

Trena Reed and David Williamson II were united in marriage June 16, 2007. She is a podiatrist at T.C. Reed, D.P.M., and he is an intake coordinator at Bridge Home Health and Hospice. They reside in the Findlay area.

'89

Lori (Gossard) Fullom is vice president of Gossard Public Self Storage in Lima, Ohio. She and her husband, Rob, live in Lima.

'92

Debra (Ludt) Lindsey and her husband, Bryan, announce the birth of a son, Cole David, born Aug. 13, 2007. They live in Tunkhannock, Pa.

'93

Brian Fickies has accepted a new position with Michigan State University as assistant director of intramural sports, aquatics. He and his wife, Tammy, celebrated the birth of their first child, Sophia Marie, Dec. 13, 2006. The family lives in Lansing, Mich.

ALUMNOTES

Benjamin Sapp headed the education division for the United Way of Hancock County 2007 campaign. He also has been promoted to director of the Mazza Museum at The University of Findlay. He and his wife, **Lani (Booher '97, M '02)**, who teaches second grade at Jacobs Elementary School in Findlay, have two children: Carter, 7, and Libby, 4. They live in Findlay.

Kevin Wolfe is the new assistant high school principal for Sidney City Schools. He is currently working on his superintendent licensure through The University of Findlay's College of Education. He and his wife, Brenda, have a 4-year-old son and live in Kenton, Ohio.

'94

Cliff Barber has been promoted to senior vice president/Lima city president of Citizens National Bank. He is the senior banking officer for the Lima market area and has been employed with Citizens National Bank for 10 years. He also is a board member and treasurer of the Lima Allen County Chamber of Commerce. He serves on the Workforce Policy Board of the Allen County Job and Family Services, as well as the Advisory Board of the Lima Salvation Army. He is a 2000 graduate of the Allen Lima Leadership program.

Kimberlee (Kobes) Beckner is safety director for Montgomery County Engineers in Troy, Ohio. She and her husband, Matthew, had a baby boy, Casey, born July 17, 2007, who joins sister Alexandra, 3. They live in Troy.

Dean Corwin and **Susan Piccotti** were married Aug. 3, 2007, in Carbondale, Pa. He is the voice of the University of Scranton men's and women's basketball teams and is employed by the Scranton/Wilkes-Barre Yankees baseball team. She is a guidance counselor at Abington Heights High School in Clark Summit, Pa. They reside in Olyphant, Pa.

'96

Todd Trammell has been named director of the Advanced Technology Environmental & Energy Center in Bettendorf, Iowa. The center promotes environmental and sustainable energy technology education in the nation's community colleges and secondary schools. Previously, he was science area chair for the University of Phoenix Cincinnati region campus.

'97

Javan Conley was promoted to senior project manager at Wright State University where he oversees all the capital construction and basic renovation projects on campus. He graduated

with an MBA in June from Wright State. He and his wife, **Rebecca (Whitt '95)**, reside in Englewood, Ohio.

Holly (Johnson) Dishman is currently enrolled to work toward a bachelor's degree in nursing, with aspirations to work in obstetrics delivery or possibly a neonatal intensive care unit. She assists her husband, Brandon, with their 2,100-acre farm where they raise corn, soybeans, hay, cattle and are preparing to add a facility for 4,000 hogs. They have two children, Madelyn Jo, 5, and Joseph "Landon," 2, and live in Spiceland, Ind.

Molly (Solis) Rupp has taken a new position as a science instructional coach (consultant) with the Conroe Independent School District, which is located outside of Houston, Texas. Along with her new job, she and her husband, Jeff, welcomed their daughter, Lillian Charlotte, on Sept. 25, 2007. They live in The Woodlands, Texas.

Kara (Steinman) DeMusz has accepted a new position as a communication specialist for New Vectors, a government contractor in Fairborn, Ohio. She and her husband, Emil, reside in Springfield, Ohio.

Latef "Teef" Roberts has a new position as assistant men's basketball coach for Post

Jeanne Stuckey '86

Jeanne Stuckey, Ph.D., opened up the world of modern chemistry with a lecture, "From Physics to Pharmaceuticals" on Oct. 11, a 125th Anniversary lecture for the College of Sciences.

Stuckey graduated from UF in 1986 with a degree in natural science and was named Outstanding Senior Science Student that year. She completed a doctorate in biochemistry from Wayne State University in 1992. From 1993-96, she worked at the University of Michigan under a grant-funded American Cancer Society Postdoctoral Fellowship and was hired as a full-time staff member at UM in 1996.

As she has contributed to the field of science, she's also given back to her alma mater: She served on the UF Alumni Board of Governors from 1992-99, including a term as vice president from 1998-99. In 2000, she was named a Distinguished Alumna in recognition of her career achievements and her service to The University of Findlay

On the University of Michigan campus, Stuckey, an assistant research scientist in the Life Sciences Institute, supervises the X-ray crystallography lab that assists researchers with structural biology questions.

So what is crystallography and why is it important?

Essentially, it helps map the structure of proteins. In doing so, it can help determine the differences between a healthy cell and a sick cell — one that has developed arthritis, diabetes, multiple sclerosis or cancer, for example. All such diseases have a common thread, Stuckey explained: a malfunction in the proteins that regulate the cell.

The purpose of studying these proteins and how they combine with other molecules is to either prevent the changes that occur when disease strikes, or mitigate them. But her ultimate goal is even higher: "My heart is set on solving cancer," she said.

To find one drug worth developing, the lab typically creates hundreds of new compounds, and from among these, 10 would begin the three stages of clinical trials, through which one may be successful.

But when your goal is curing cancer, Stuckey says, it's worth it.



Jeanne Stuckey

University, Waterbury, Conn. Post is a member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division II. He began his coaching career as basketball coach at Derby High School, in Derby, Conn., and advanced to NCAA Division II Western Connecticut State University as an assistant men's basketball coach before being named to his current position. He and his wife, Tushema, reside in Woodbridge, Conn.

'98

Kimberlie England (M) was promoted to a principal of Findley Davies Inc., a human resources consulting firm in Toledo, Ohio. She specializes in employee benefit and communication consulting assignments. She and her husband, Ron, live in Ottawa Hills, Ohio, with their sons, Liam and Graham.

Daniel Fidago and his wife, **Christa (Skatrud '03)** welcomed a daughter, Isabelle Leona, born May 30, 2007. He is a math teacher with Eastern Greene High School, and she is a quality associate with Baxter Pharmaceuticals. The family resides in Bloomfield, Ind.

Rome Overmyer has accepted a position as project safety manager for RJ Griffin Co. in Charlotte, N.C., where he is working on the new 52-story EpiCenter residential housing project in Uptown Charlotte. He and his wife, Beth, reside in Mooresville, N.C.

Matthew Rogish and **Jennifer Lenhart-Rogish '98** welcomed their second child, daughter Abigail Sheryl, born July 13, 2007. She joins big brother Chase. Matthew is the loss prevention manager for Carmeuse North America, and Jennifer is health and safety manager for Whirlpool Corporation in Clyde, Ohio. The family lives in Clyde.

Michelle (Kellogg) Roussel is an advanced information technology systems integrator with Marathon Petroleum Company LLC. She and her husband, Barry, have a daughter, Melanie, 1. They live in La Place, La.

'99

Robert E. Keating III and Dana Sandstrom were married May 27, 2007, in Washington, D.C. He is a former Peace Corps volunteer in Boliva, South America, and now works for Chemonics International in Zambia, Africa, where they are making their home. She works as a freelance consultant.

Matt Sellman (M) is the new men's and women's swimming coach at the University of Mary Washington in Fredericksburg, Va. He is currently pursuing a doctorate of education at Lewis & Clark College in Portland, Ore. Previously, he was the head men's and women's coach for the past six seasons at Lewis and Clark, where his programs have set 29 school records. He is a member of the NCAA Men's and Women's Swimming Committee, is American Swim Coaches Association level four certified and a member of the College Swim

Brant K. Rhoad '00



Brant K. Rhoad

Brant K. Rhoad grew up planning on a career in medicine. Little did he know that he would end up being a lawyer or that his education at The University of Findlay would prepare him for his new career in ways that he had never imagined. Rhoad was the guest speaker for the College of Sciences 125th Anniversary Alumni Lecture on Sept. 17. He spoke to students on the topic of "The Science of Law." Rhoad is an associate attorney with Scherner and Sybert, L.L.C. in Powell, Ohio, where he is a personal injury lawyer. He also represents and counsels employers with the Ohio Workers' Compensation System. He recalled that golf coach Al Baker recruited him to UF out of Elmwood High School in Bloomdale, Ohio, with a golf scholarship. He told how after going through three and a half years as a biology major, he decided that he didn't want to go into medicine after all. Rhoad said he dreaded disappointing his adviser, Dr. Linda Peck, professor of biology, but was amazed and grateful when she immediately went about helping him get into law school. Rhoad was accepted at The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law. In addition, he received an OSU golf scholarship that was sponsored by Jack Nicklaus. Rhoad emphasized that every day he uses his undergraduate education from UF. His training in the College of Sciences has helped him understand accidents, decipher doctor's reports, and on one occasion, enabled him to solve the mystery of a woman's death, which was due to receiving the wrong medication. A resident of Powell, Ohio, Rhoad serves as a member of UF's Central Ohio Diplomacy Regional Alumni Committee. "If there is nothing else that I learned from being here (UF) for four years, it's that the University supports you," Rhoad told his audience.

Coaches Association of America. He also has served as assistant coach at Pacific Lutheran University and The University of Findlay.

John Solomon is the founder/president of Project Global Village. His goal is to provide the means for educating deprived children worldwide and enabling them to compete in a technology-driven world. He plans to assist communities to build new schools (elementary, intermediate and secondary) and facilities for educational purposes and raise funds to equip the schools with technology, books, school supplies, medicines, food and clothing. In addition, he intends to raise funds for charities that house and raise abandoned children throughout the world.

'00

Michelle Courtad (M '03) has been named human resource administrator for Vaughn

Industries, Carey, Ohio. She resides in Forest, Ohio, with her husband, Nathan, and their family.

Robyn Denney and Eric Wilhelm were married Aug. 10, 2007, in Findlay. She is a physical therapist in Scottsdale, Ariz., and a teaching assistant in the doctorate of physical therapy program at A.T. Still University Arizona School of Health Sciences. He is vice president of operations at Reconditioned Systems Inc. in Tempe, Ariz. They reside in Phoenix, Ariz.

Elizabeth (Rule) Sahler has a new position as purchaser for Bedrock International, and her husband, **Curtis Sahler '98**, has a new job as wholesaler for Ivy Funds. They live in Shawnee, Kan.

Michelle (Motter) Simons graduated from Palmer College of Chiropractic in February 2007 and is currently practicing at Taylor Family Chiropractic in Findlay. She and her husband, Tim, live in Findlay.

NOTED SCHOLAR CONT'D.

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A history major, Sanasarian decided to pursue graduate and doctoral degrees in political science at the State University of New York in Buffalo. For her doctoral dissertation, Sanasarian chose to explore how Iranian women responded to the issues of women's rights. When Western women in the United States and Great Britain were fighting for equal rights at the turn of the 20th century, urban, educated Iranian women also were striving for more recognition and freedom, she found.

While Iranian women had less success than those in the West, they made some small progress in their social status and legal rights during the course of the 1900s under the dictatorial rule of the shahs.

In the midst of Sanasarian's research, the Islamic revolution of 1978-79 occurred, with Ayatollah Khomeini coming to power. She chronicled the changes instituted by the revolution, resulting in women being subjected to Islamic law governing all aspects of their lives. Sanasarian's dissertation was published as a book in 1982.

Long banned in Iran because of its critical comments on Khomeini, the book was only recently translated into Persian. It won first prize from among 200 entries as the 2007 Best Research Book on Women in Iran by a scholar of Iranian studies based outside of Iran. The award was sponsored by Dovlatabadi Library in Tehran. The book is now used, with some editing, in Iranian colleges and universities.

Following the granting of her doctorate in 1980, she taught political science at California State College and the University of California Riverside before joining the University of Southern California (USC) in 1985.

A professor in the Department of Political Science at USC, she has influenced students for more than two decades and received several awards for her teaching and research. Although she previously taught graduate courses, in recent years she has chosen to teach



Eliz Sanasarian at the Ngorongoro Crater in Tanzania in June 2005.

at the undergraduate level.

Sanasarian also has served as a Visiting Scholar at Harvard University's Center for Middle Eastern Studies, and her publications have appeared in numerous leading academic journals. She has participated as a speaker and panelist at conferences across the United States and has served as a consultant on immigration for the governments of Belgium, Canada and Australia and for the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom.

Sanasarian spent 15 years researching her second book, "Religious Minorities in Iran," which provides a fascinating look at how minority religions are faring under the Islamic government. These groups include Jews, indigenous Armenian, Assyrian and Chaldean Christians, evangelical Christians, Zoroastrians and Bahais.

In 1992, she visited Iran for field work. Sanasarian, who is of Armenian Christian background, said she was unsure at the time if she would be allowed to return to the U.S., but she wanted to be able to verify her research first hand. She noted that there was so much propaganda on all sides that it was difficult to determine the truth without going there. The resulting book, published in 2000, has been hailed as written in an even-handed manner and an important work on a subject that has been largely overlooked by other scholars. It is currently available in paperback.

In the past several years, Sanasarian has turned her focus to countries

other than Iran, where research grants have funded travel to Israel, Pakistan, Tanzania and Kenya, allowing her to witness stunning examples of humanitarianism practiced by both Christians and Moslems at great personal sacrifice and risk.

In her first visit to The University of Findlay campus since she graduated in 1975,

Sanasarian was the guest speaker Sept. 25, 2007, for a presentation sponsored by the College of Liberal Arts in celebration of the University's 125th anniversary. Her topic was "Beyond Fundamentalism: Private Ideals and Public Policy Around the Globe." It focused on inspirational stories of individuals she met during her travels who have addressed societal problems from a grassroots level to improve their communities.

A disciplined and focused individual, Sanasarian has contributed much to the knowledge of Iranian society and religions in the Middle East, as well as research on gender politics and ethnicity. Her work promises to continue to promote understanding of women's issues and humanitarianism around the world.

Meanwhile, she sees changes coming in Iran, with young people there who are hungry for information and connected to the world through the Internet, which the government is unable to stop. Young adults are resisting the regime, she contended, with torture prisons filled with college students, and women are becoming politically active despite oppression. Sanasarian predicted that Iran will become the most secular country in the Middle East when demographic changes take effect. Noting that the country's leaders are in their 70s, "It is the last attempt at fundamentalism," she stated.

-Charlene Hankinson

Jeff Turner is a member of the mission assembly staff at Honda Transmission Manufacturing in Russells Point, Ohio. He and his wife, Katie, have two daughters, Lily, 4, and Olivia, 1. The family lives in Bellefontaine, Ohio.

'01

Michelle (Fada) Quinn has a new position as intervention specialist for North Ridgeville City Schools in North Ridgeville, Ohio. She and her husband, Kelly, welcomed a daughter, Kasey Marie, Aug. 14, 2007. They live in North Ridgeville.

'02

Kelly (Young) Fryburg and her husband, Sean, are the proud parents of a son, born June 26, 2007. The family lives in Jamestown, Ohio.

Sarah McDougall and **Richard Schmitt** were married May 18, 2007, in Rawson, Ohio. She is a homemaker, and he is a landscaper and homeless shelter case manager. They reside in Mastic Beach, N.Y.

'03

Andrea Adams-Miller, sexual health educator for The Sexuality Tutor, has been named the Ohio state representative to the mid-continent committee of the national professional organization of the American Association of Sexuality Educators, Counselors and Therapists. She also has been nominated as a recipient for one of 20 Under 40 Leadership Recognition Awards in the Toledo, Ohio, area, and she has received her certification as a health education specialist. In addition, she is the co-host of a new show, "Sex Talk with Bob & Andrea" on Sunday nights from 10 p.m. until midnight EST on 88.1 FM WBGU or it can be heard at www.wbgufm.com. She and her husband, Tom Miller, reside near Findlay.

Kristina Delaski graduated from The Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University in 2007 and is a volunteer veterinarian at the Baltimore Zoo. She also has accepted a position as associate veterinarian at the Anne Arundel Veterinary Hospital in Baltimore, Md. She resides in Pasadena, Md.

Kathleen Lyke received her doctor of osteopathic medicine (D.O.) degree from Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine in June and began an internship at Firelands Regional Medical Center in Sandusky, Ohio, in July.

Jennifer Swartz is a physical therapist at Fisher Titus Medical Center in Norwalk, Ohio. She lives in Norwalk.

'04

Robin Bates was promoted to branch manager for the Fostoria First Federal Bank, where she is in charge of branch operations and promotions, mortgage and consumer lending, and customer and community relations. She and her husband, Rick, and two children reside in rural Kansas, Ohio.

Allison Budde and **Steven Gerken '05** were married June 30, 2007, in Deshler, Ohio. She teaches third grade at Bigelow Hill School in Findlay, and he is an accountant at Schroeder and Co. CPAs in Ottawa. They reside in Ottawa.

Lauren Henry (M) was appointed the new executive director of the Darke County United Way, where she has been a member of the United Way board since 2003 and has chaired company campaigns for previous employers. She and her husband, Chad, and son, Carson, reside in Greenville, Ohio.

Ashley (Winebar) Norway has a new position as assistant controller for RMC Property Management on Hilton Head Island, S.C. She and her husband, George, welcomed a daughter, Mikayla Faith, on July 26, 2007. They reside in Bluffton, S.C.

Michael Viren (M) has been named manager for GBQ Partners LLC, the largest locally owned accounting and consulting firm in Columbus, Ohio. He resides in Powell, Ohio.

'05

Courtney Augustine and Duane Gerten were married Aug. 25, 2007, in Bluffton, Ohio. She is an accountant at Blanchard Valley Farmers Co-op in Pandora, Ohio, and he is a crew leader at Elgin Service Center in Gilboa, Ohio, and is a farmer. They live in Findlay.

Vincent Cole and Angel Hile were wed Sept. 1, 2007, in Upper Sandusky. He is employed at Lowe's Distribution Center, and she is a claims coordinator, direct orders and customer service representative for Hercules Tire. They reside in Findlay.

Jennifer Duling has a new position as a first-grade teacher at Chelsea Park Elementary School in Chelsea, Ala. She resides in Birmingham, Ala.

Jared Fry and Jennifer Reinhart were married June 16, 2007 in Tiffin, Ohio. He is employed at Centrex and is a farmer, and she is employed at Fairhaven Community in Upper Sandusky. They live in Alvada, Ohio.

Kristen (Spengler) Hug graduated with a master's in physician assistant studies from the University of Nebraska in May 2007. She continues to work at the Defiance Regional Medical Center for an orthopedic surgeon, where she has been employed since graduating from the physician assistant program at Findlay. She also interned there as a student. Her husband, **Skeat Hug '03**, is a salesman with City Beverage in Defiance, Ohio. They reside in Defiance.

Robert Moore and Audra Reinhard were wed June 16, 2007, in Fostoria. He is a health and safety manager for F & P America, in Troy, Ohio, and she is an occupational therapist at Miami Valley Hospital in Dayton, Ohio. They live in Troy.

Jeremy Parkins was named the head men's soccer coach at Urbana (Ohio) University,

effective Aug. 1, 2007. Previously, he was the assistant soccer coach at Capital University for the past three seasons. He also owns and operates a computer services company, Upgr8de Ltd., in Columbus, Ohio.

Shelby Rieke (M '07) and **Brian Bratt (M '06)** were wed July 14, 2007, in Findlay. She completed her master of arts in education in human resources degree from The University of Findlay in May and has a new job as relationship manager at The Right Thing Inc. in Findlay. He is an English teacher at Van Buren High School, Van Buren, Ohio. They live in Findlay.

Kevin Shields has accepted a new position as lead nuclear medicine technologist at Knox Community Hospital in Mount Vernon, Ohio. He resides in Howard, Ohio.

Tanya Truszkowski was named development officer for the equestrian and pre-veterinary medicine programs at The University of Findlay. She resides in Findlay.

'06

Nicholas Herrmann and Jessica Richards exchanged wedding vows June 16, 2007, in North Ridgeville, Ohio. He is employed by Exceptional Innovations in Columbus, Ohio, and she is employed by Reynoldsburg City Schools. They live in Westerville, Ohio.

Amanda McDannell and Billy Banta were married June 16, 2007. She is a preschool intervention specialist at Ridgemont Elementary School. They live in Upper Sandusky, Ohio.

Kristianne Passet and Joshua Thiel were married Aug. 4, 2007, in Upper Sandusky, Ohio. She is an early childhood itinerant intervention specialist for the Hardin County Educational Service Center in Kenton, Ohio, and he is the football coach at Upper Sandusky High School. They reside in Forest, Ohio.

Tiffany Riker headed the commercial division for the United Way of Hancock County 2007 campaign. She is the executive assistant to the president/CEO at Fresh Encounter Inc.

Amanda Thompson (M) and Tom Miller were wed June 23, 2007, in Findlay. She is a science teacher at Arlington, Ohio, and he is an environmental chemist for Metalworking Lubricants. They live in Toledo, Ohio

'07

Jennifer Fulks and Andre Miller exchanged wedding vows on Oct. 1, 2007, in Findlay. He is a flooring contractor for Wayne Homes. They live in Forest, Ohio

Thanks to all who have submitted their updates for Alumnotes. Information for this issue was received by Oct. 1, 2007. Subsequent submissions will appear in future issues of MainLine or Findlay Magazine.

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI, OTHER HONOREES INDUCTED AT HOMECOMING

The University of Findlay honored its 2007 Distinguished Alumni on Oct. 13, during Homecoming weekend. They include **Gladys Eakin '33** of Pittsburgh, Pa.; **George Tuttle '36** of Trotwood; **Joanne (Hamilton '51)** and **Joseph E. Rockwell '51** of Newville, Pa.; **James Taylor '72** of Forest; and **Jerome "Jerry" Kanney '74** of Pikeville, Ky.

The Gold Medallion Award was presented to the late **Richard J. Schaefer '77**, formerly of Findlay. The award is presented in memory of an alumnus or alumna and in recognition of outstanding service and accomplishments during his or her lifetime.

Candee Ellsworth '97 of Toledo received the Old Main Award, which recognizes the distinguished accomplishments of alumni age 35 or younger.

The Arch Award, honoring service by a staff member of the University, was presented to Dwight Moody, Ed.D., of Findlay.

Gladys Eakin '33 began her teaching career in 1933 in a one-room school in Indian Head, Pa., and retired in 1972 from the Bethel Park School District near Pittsburgh. Eakin is a lifelong educator who displayed a commitment to teaching.

George Tuttle '36, taught in Vanlue and Mansfield before joining the U.S. Quartermaster Corps, where he was assigned to the 352nd Army Service Force Band. After World War II, he taught five years in Richmond, Va., and 22 years at Fairmont High School, Kettering, Ohio, until he retired in 1974. Tuttle was inducted into the Chester A. Roush Educational Hall of Fame in 1984.

Joanne (Hamilton '51) and **Joseph E. Rockwell '51** enjoyed careers as influential educators. From 1972 to 1993, Joanne held many roles in the Tuscarora School District in Mercersburg, Pa., including English teacher, assistant principal and chair of the language department. Joseph taught in Washington County, Md., school district from 1958 until retiring in 1982, serving as teacher, principal and supervisor. They have two children, Julia Hair and Charles Rockwell, and two grandchildren.

James Taylor '72 taught at Riverdale High School, Mt. Blanchard, from 1978 until his retirement in 2002. As a history and government teacher, varsity football coach and freshman basketball coach, Taylor received many awards for his commitment to history education and his coaching talents. He is now an instructor and field supervisor for UF's College of Education. He and his wife, **Jackie (Pelton '72)**, have two children, **Jennifer (Taylor '02) Pickett** and **Matthew Taylor '04**.

Jerome Kanney '74 is general partner of Interstate



Alumni honored at the Alumni Association Annual Breakfast included: (front row) Gladys Eakin '33, Joseph '51 and Joanne (Hamilton '51) Rockwell, Jerome Kanney '74; (back row) Candee Ellsworth '97, Fran Shaeffer accepting for her late husband, Richard Shaeffer '77, George Tuttle '36, James Taylor '72.

Natural Gas Co. (ING); owner of Jerome A. Kanney CPA, PSC; and president of Crossrock Inc. He was named 2002 Rotarian of the Year and received the 1998 Community Service Award. ING was named Business of the Year by the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce in 2006 and Pike County Chamber of Commerce in 2004. Kanney and his wife, Carolyn, have four children: Angela, Melody, Crystal and Rachel.

The late **Richard J. Schaefer '77** worked at Cooper Tire and Rubber Co. and was a member of the Findlay Noon Optimist Club, president of the Hancock Leadership Alumni Association, president of the local American Cancer Society and a volunteer with the Hancock County Red Cross disaster relief teams. He also coached youth sports. He and his wife, Frances, have two children, Julie Murphy and Monte Schaefer, and five grandchildren.

Candee Ellsworth '97 is a conservation biologist with the Toledo Zoological Society where she leads a team in the captive rearing and reintroduction of the federally endangered Karner blue butterfly. Ellsworth received the 2003 North American Conservation Award from the American Zoo and Aquarium Association for her work with Oak Savannah butterflies. She resides with her son.

Dwight Moody, Ed.D., professor of biology, began his career at Findlay College in 1974. Moody has received several prestigious grants and The University of Findlay Founders Faculty Award for Academic Excellence. Since 1989, Moody has performed research for the Ohio Odonata Survey, and since 1998, he has studied wetlands in Northwest Ohio. Moody and his wife, L'nette, have two daughters, **Heather (Moody '91) Czartoski** and **Kimberly (Moody '94) Holmes** and two grandchildren.

ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME INDUCTS 34TH CLASS

The University of Findlay hosted the 34th Annual Athletic Hall of Fame Ceremony during Homecoming weekend. Inductees for 2007 included **Lisa (Hallock '93) Evans** of Perrysburg, **Bo Hurley '96, M '98**, of Centerville, **Ronald Lucy '95, M '97**, of Dublin, **Martin Parrill '73** of Oceanside, Calif., **Nicole (Clever '95) Ralston** of Lewis Center and **Jim Ryan '80** of Olmstead Falls.

Between 1989 and 1993, track star **Lisa (Hallock '93) Evans** earned honors as an NAIA All-American in two relays and the 1,000-yard run. She qualified for the NAIA National Championships 10 times during her career in cross country, indoor track and outdoor track. She also was a three-time NAIA National Scholar-Athlete and led her team to three straight NAIA District 22 championships. In 1993, Evans received the Mancuso Trophy as the top female student-athlete at UF. Evans resides in Perrysburg, Ohio, with her son.

Bo Hurley '96, M '98 starred on the UF football team as a four-year starting quarterback who led his teams to a career record of 41-3-1 and two NAIA national titles in 1995 and 1997. He was voted offensive MVP for four years by his teammates, and he holds 10 school records, including TD passes and career yardage. In 1997, he was named to the First Team NAIA All-American Team and also as the Rawlings NAIA National Player of the Year. In addition, Hurley was a three-time NCAA Scholar-Athlete. He resides in Centerville, Ohio, with his wife, Courtney, and two daughters.

Ronald Lucy '95, M '97 was an Oiler "Roughneck" and helped to capture the NAIA National Team Championship in 1995. Lucy holds school records for all-time wins (123), career take-downs (425) and take-downs in a season (129), which led to four NAIA National Championship wins. He took sixth place in 1992, fifth place in 1993, third place in 1994 and national runner-up in 1995. As a three-year captain of the team, he was awarded the Mancuso Trophy as the top male student-athlete at UF in 1995 and was named a GTE Academic All-American. Lucy resides in Dublin, Ohio, with his wife, **Amanda (Hammons '98)**, and four children.

Martin Parrill '73 was a dual-sport athlete in baseball and basketball. He was a four-year starter at shortstop and third base and helped lead his teams to three NAIA Mid-Ohio Conference titles. Parrill led the Oilers in batting average, RBIs, slugging percentage and home runs. In 1973, he was drafted by the Baltimore Orioles, where he played through 1978, moving up to the AAA level. In 1976, he received the AA League MVP award for his outstanding

season. Parrill resides in Oceanside, Calif., with his wife, Dana. They have two children.

Nicole (Clever '95) Ralston was a standout women's basketball player, leading her team to a three-year record of 83-12 and three consecutive NAIA national tournament appearances, which were the first in school history. Ralston is the fourth all-time leading scorer (1,331 points) and holds the school record for steals in a game (8). She became the first UF women's basketball player to be named to the NAIA All-American First Team. She also was named to the Kodak All-American team and was an NAIA Scholar-Athlete and GTE Academic All-American. Ralston resides in Lewis Center, Ohio, with her son.

James F. Ryan '80 was a dual-sport athlete in baseball and football. As a linebacker, Ryan was an All-HBC and District 22 selection and the coaching staff named him Most Valuable Defensive Lineman. Ryan helped lead the Oilers to the 1979 NAIA football title. As a first and third baseman, Ryan received the Coaches Award for his baseball success. He went on to coach athletics at his high school alma mater, Olmstead Falls. Ryan resides in Olmstead Falls, Ohio, with his wife, Terry, and two children.



Alumni inducted into the 2007 Athletic Hall of Fame were Jim Ryan '80; Michael Mox '74 (friend) accepting on behalf of Marty Parrill '73, Norma Oldfield and Kaden Ralston (grandmother and son) accepting for Nikki (Clever '95) Ralston, Lisa (Hallock '93) Evans, Ron Lucy '95 and Bo Hurley '96.

BOARD NEWS



Julie (Dean) McIntosh, Ed.D.

Dear Alumni:

What a wonderful celebration we had this past year of the University's 125th Anniversary! In conclusion, Homecoming weekend topped off a celebration of the past, present and future. Also recently, more than 500 people registered for the Family Equestrian Festival during Family Weekend and 300 attended the bonfire held the same weekend.

Looking to the future, the Toledo Symphony Orchestra will be on campus for the Concert and Lecture Series Jan. 25, 2008, and Feb. 17, 2008. The University also will host the second annual Symposium for Scholarship and Creativity on April 15, 2008. This event highlights presentations and panels from students, faculty and alumni. If you are interested in presenting at this year's symposium, please contact Paula Wolper, assistant professor of hospitality management, at pwolper@findlay.edu.

The Office of Alumni & Parent Relations and the Alumni Association Board of Governors have been planning winter and spring events. The Board is also looking for Distinguished Alumni nominations. The Old Main Award is presented to an alumnus/a of The University of Findlay who has demonstrated distinctive achievements in a chosen career, civic involvement and/or service to The University of Findlay and has not reached the age of 36. The Gold Medallion Award is presented posthumously to a deceased

alumnus/a who had superb records of distinguished career accomplishments and had made outstanding contributions to their professions, to their university and/or their community, but had not been formally acknowledged by the University prior to their deaths. The Distinguished Alumni Award is presented to members of the Alumni Association who, by personal example, have exhibited the highest standards of individual achievement in professional or personal endeavors; who have demonstrated loyalty and support of this institution and who through dedicated service, have contributed to the advancement of all humanity. The Arch Award is presented to members of the faculty, staff or community who do not have a degree from The University of Findlay but have given 25 years or more of service and have by personal example demonstrated loyalty and support for the institution. If you know anyone who is deserving of these awards please contact the alumni office!

In order to stay connected and updated on events, please visit our Web site at www.findlay.edu, KEYWORD: Alumni. If you are interested in helping the University in any way, please call or e-mail the Alumni Office at 419-434-4516, 1-800-472-9502 extension 4516, or alumni@findlay.edu. We will be happy to hear from you.

Sincerely,

Dr. Julie McIntosh '90, President
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