

# FOR YOUR INFORMATION

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## CAMPUS MOURNS DR. DAVID L. ALLEN

Everyone who came in contact with Professor of Sociology David L. Allen knew about his love for The University of Findlay. Even his license plate, which read "UF 1," let other drivers see the importance the University played in his life.



Allen

Dr. Allen died unexpectedly on campus on Tuesday, Jan. 18. A member of the University faculty for nearly 35 years, Dr. Allen was among the most senior faculty at UF.

Dr. Allen, a native of South Euclid, Ohio, earned a bachelor's degree in sociology from the College of Wooster in 1965 and master's and doctoral

degrees in sociology from Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland in 1967 and 1970, respectively.

He joined UF as an assistant professor of sociology in September 1970, and most recently he served as director of the sociology program.

He held many academic leadership positions over the years. He was chairperson of the Division of Social Sciences for 15 years, director of the First-Year Seminar Program for 10 years and director of the Area of Social Science for six years. Dr. Allen was a member and chairperson of the Faculty Affairs Committee and a member of Faculty Senate for two terms.

He was a visiting exchange professor at Heidelberg College in the fall of 1993. Dr. Allen was a recipient of the Findlay•Hancock County Outstanding

Educator Award in 1995.

He served as faculty marshal, leading the procession of faculty and students at University commencement and academic year opening ceremonies.

Dr. Allen was a familiar face at UF athletic events where he enjoyed cheering on his students.

In early 2005 he accepted additional responsibility temporarily as student-athlete academic counselor, helping student athletes achieve their maximum potential in the classroom.

In 2002, Dr. Allen established the David L. Allen Award for Teaching Excellence, an endowed award given annually to a deserving member of the UF faculty.

A University memorial service for Dr. Allen will be held on Thursday, Jan. 27, at 4 p.m. in Ritz Auditorium.

## UF RECEIVES GIFT OF PROPERTY

The University of Findlay recently received a gift of 30 acres of wooded land to be used as a nature preserve.

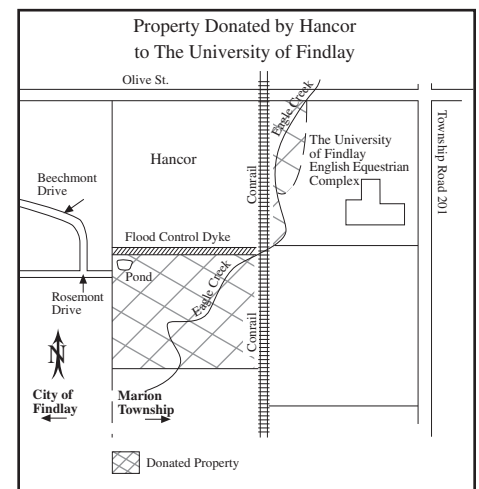
Findlay business Hancor Inc. donated the land, which is southeast of Findlay and adjacent to the University's James L. Child Jr. Equestrian Complex. The property includes a large woodlot, which is south of Hancor's main office.

"The University of Findlay is grateful for Hancor's generous gift," said University President DeBow Freed. "University of Findlay students and faculty, students in area public schools, and members of surrounding communities will benefit from having this unique natural area available to observe and study

for years to come."

The donated land consists mainly of mature forest along the floodplain of Eagle Creek. It is an ideal setting to examine stream and floodplain habitats. The land will serve as a place for student and community groups to observe and monitor water quality and stream habitats as well as plant and animal life in an undisturbed setting. The University probably will add bridle paths for riding and footpaths for self-guided tours.

An additional three acres, which will provide direct access from the English Equestrian Farm to the new area, are expected to be received as a gift by the University in February.



*A nature preserve will adjoin the English equestrian farm, thanks to a donation from Hancor Inc.*

*The mission of The University of Findlay is to equip our students for meaningful lives and productive careers.*

# TIMING'S THE THING FOR TRIAGE THEATRE

Students from UF's theatre program tested their writing, acting, directing and time management skills with the production of Triage Theatre 2005. The performance was held Saturday, Jan. 15 at 8 p.m. in the John and Hester Powell Grimm Theatre.

Triage Theatre is a UF tradition in which students write, direct and perform a number of original short plays in just 24 hours. According to Scott Hayes, director of the theatre program, approximately 30 UF students and a group of urban high school students from Brookhaven High School in Columbus participated in Triage Theatre 2005.

"This experience is always a lot of fun for everyone involved. Both the students and the audiences really enjoy being involved in this kind of production," Hayes said.

"And because of the very short

amount of time they have to put everything together, the format of the production really tests the students' theatrical skills and their ability to deal with stress and, in some cases, exhaustion."

The production process began with an initial meeting on Jan. 14 from 8 to 9 p.m. during which groups of eight to 12 people were organized and rules were explained. Each group then selected someone to write their group's play, someone to direct and someone to handle the technical aspects of the play. Other members of each group served as actors.

During the following 23 hours the groups wrote, staged, rehearsed and performed their original five- to 10-minute shows to the public.

As part of the experience, the audience and judges selected one play as the winner, and all winning participants were awarded a cash prize.



*Matthew Harris and Kyle Kutchenritter were among the many UF students who tested their creativity during this year's production of Triage Theatre.*

Triage Theatre 2005 is a production of Alpha Psi Omega, UF's honorary theatre fraternity.

## TOLEDO SYMPHONY CONCERT IS JAN. 21

The Toledo Symphony Orchestra will perform at The University of Findlay on Friday, Jan. 21 at 8 p.m. as the third program in the University's Concert and Lecture Series.

Conducted by Chelsea Tipton II, the orchestra will present "The Emperor Waltz" by Strauss, "Introduction and Allegro for String Quartet and Orchestra" by Elgar and "Symphony No. 3 (Eroica)" by Beethoven.

The performance will take place in the Winebrenner Theological Seminary auditorium.

Tickets are free for UF students and \$15 for UF faculty and staff and are available at the Box Office in Egner 200 or by calling 419-434-5335.



*Approximately 75 people participated in UF and the Black Heritage Library and Multicultural Center's Unity Walk and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. celebration Jan. 9.*

## STUDENT, COMMUNITY ART ON EXHIBIT

A photography exhibition by Laura Beach, a senior at UF, will be displayed in the Virginia B. Gardner Fine Arts Pavilion through Feb. 4.

Beach's 22 photographs follow the theme, "Blueprint for the Trivial," her senior honors project. The color and black-and-white photographs explore the artistic element of everyday objects

including street signs, telephone wires and interior and exterior walls.

Also on display are watercolors by Findlay-area artists Laura Barnhardt Corle and Jamie Robertson and Columbus-area artist Jim DeVore.

The paintings will be exhibited in the Dudley and Mary Marks Lea Gallery through Feb. 4.

# BACK TO CAMPUS AFTER THE BREAK



*An expert on the speeches and writings of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Barry Scott was the keynote speaker for the Unity Walk on Jan. 9. Scott reenacted King's legendary "I Have a Dream" speech.*



*Painters Jim DeVore and Laura Barnhardt Corle attended UF's Watercolor Invitational Jan. 9. Their paintings, and those by Jamie Robertson, are on display in the Lea Gallery through Feb. 4*



*Hancor representatives, including company president Steven A. Anderson, visited campus in December to formally present their gift of 30 acres to the University.*



*Dr. Dan May, Dr. Robert Frampton, Dr. Lisa Dutton, Dr. Donald Stansloski and President Freed thanked members of COHP for their good work on doctoral programs in physical therapy and pharmacy Jan. 7.*



*Former UF basketball players returned to campus Jan. 8 for a game prior to the varsity women's game versus Northwood.*



*Ice covered campus trees and buildings during a winter storm that hit Ohio Jan. 5. The ice storm was the second major weather event to hit Findlay in weeks -- over a foot of snow fell on Findlay Dec. 22 and 23.*

# OVER 1,000 ALUMNI OF PRESTIGIOUS NMI PROGRAM

The Nuclear Medicine Institute added 27 nuclear medicine technologists to its list of more than 1,000 alumni on Friday, Jan. 7 when they completed their coursework.

Nuclear medicine technology is a paramedical field that investigates the body's function, rather than structure. This is achieved by injecting, ingesting or inhaling a compound tagged with a small amount of radioactive material for diagnosis or treatment, explained Rick States, NMI program director.

According to States, interest in the program has soared over the last several years, with more than 120 applications for NMI's 50 available slots in the January 2005 entering class. States credited the increase to the program's strong national reputation and a surge in demand for qualified nuclear medicine technologists.

"The quality of a Findlay NMI graduate is known nationwide in the medical community. Many of our stu-

dents come to us from all over the country because of our reputation for producing highly skilled, knowledgeable and concerned technologists," explained States. "In addition, more people are becoming aware of the nationwide shortage of nuclear medicine technologists. There is approximately a 13-17 percent shortage in the field, which means recent graduates are being highly sought after."

According to States, the program has a high passage rate on the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) certification test and the Nuclear Medicine Technology Certification Board (NMTCB). Graduates of NMI achieved a 100 percent passage rate on the ARRT exam in 2003 and 94 percent passage rate on the NMTCB in 2004.

"We also have one of the largest and longest-standing programs in the country. NMI was originally established in 1966 as a hospital based pro-



*A UF student practices a form of nuclear medicine technology, in which a patient inhales radioactive material for diagnosis.*

gram, and moved to The University of Findlay in 1984," States said.

Enrollment in the successful program has also soared over the last several years. In 2001, 25 students were enrolled. Today, the program is approaching capacity with 89 students, 41 taking classes and 48 taking part in clinical rotations.

# DOCTOR OF PHYSICAL THERAPY AND DOCTOR OF PHARMACY PROGRAMS ADVANCE

Evaluation teams representing the Ohio Board of Regents visited the University in December to review the proposed programs for the Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) and Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) degrees.

The visiting groups endorsed both programs and provided comments and suggestions. The University responded to those comments and suggestions in late December. Reports of the visiting teams and a staff analyses will be provided to a committee of the Board of Regents in late January and to the Board of Regents in March for official action by the Regents.

If responses to the comments and suggestions of the visiting groups are found to be satisfactory, the Board of Regents staff can provide a letter which

authorizes the University to begin start-up activities for the programs. That authorization could come as early as February. Board approval in March should constitute official authorization to offer the programs in Ohio. Concurrent with, and accompanying those actions, further proposals will be made to the accrediting groups in both physical therapy and pharmacy and to the Higher Learning Commission.

Upon official approval by the Board of Regents, both programs will begin to enroll students for the fall of 2005. Pharmacy will enroll both P1 (freshman) and P2 (sophomore) students. Pharmacy students take mainly basic science courses during their first two years. The professional level component of the pharmacy program will begin in the

autumn of 2006.

President Freed held a breakfast on January 7 to thank representatives of the College of Health Professions for their hard work and dedication in preparing for the new programs. He thanked them for their careful preparation of material for the visit by the Board of Regents teams, and for preparing excellent future programs for the University. Dean Lisa Dutton, Dr. Donald Stansloski, and Dr. Daniel May also spoke and thanked those present for their good work and dedication.

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