

Findlay Welcomes New President Fell

The University welcomed Katherine Rowe Fell, Ph.D., yesterday as its 17th president.

Fell officially began her duties as president July 1 and was officially welcomed by a group of trustees, administrators and a student.

"Findlay has given us a warm welcome," said Fell. "It's going very smoothly so far."

Fell was announced as the University's next president during a gathering March 25 on campus.

Fell recently served as vice president for advancement at Centenary College in Shreveport, La.

A native of Stamps, Ark., Fell holds a bachelor of science, master of arts and a doctorate in English.



David Emsweller, vice president for student services, Skylar Mettert, SGA president, Martin Terry, vice president for business affairs, David Ferguson, vice president for development, Daniel May, Ph.D., vice president for academic affairs, DeBow Freed, Ph.D., past president, Katherine Rowe Fell, Ph.D., president, C. Richard Beckett, D.V.M., chairman of the board of trustees and Richard White, member of the board of trustees.

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UF Receives Grant to Make Education More Affordable for Findlay Students

Fifth Third Bank (Northwestern Ohio) presented the first installment of a four-year grant of \$100,000 from the Charles E. Schell Foundation, Fifth Third Bank Trustee, to The University of Findlay.

The first of four \$25,000 payments was presented to Katherine Rowe Fell, Ph.D., president of The University of Findlay, by Jeff Shrader, Fifth Third's city executive in

Findlay and Mary Beth Hammond, vice president of private banking at Fifth Third.

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

The University of Findlay is committed to providing aid to assist its students. In addition to merit

scholarships of up to \$14,000 per year, the University annually awards more than \$790,000 in endowed scholarships as well as art, music, theatre and athletic scholarships.

"On behalf of the many fine students who will benefit from this generous gift at The University of Findlay, I feel deep gratitude for the Schell Foundation and Fifth Third Bank," said Fell, president of

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UF Students Help Local Organization Gain United Way Agency Status

During the spring semester, 30 students in a management of human resources class taught by Scott Freehafer, Ph.D., helped Hancock Saves become a new United Way partner agency.

Working with Barbara Brahm, program coordinator at the OSU Extension Office, where Hancock Saves is based, students helped the organization meet some of the documentation requirements in the United Way application process. "I think the students began to see the value of doing something in 'real life' – not just a problem out of a book," said Brahm. "It was a really neat collaboration."

The students worked on five different projects: a policy manual, employee handbook, social media plan, volunteer recruiting plan and orientation program. At the end of the semester, they presented their projects to Hancock Saves staff and board members and turned their materials over to the agency, which received notification that its status was approved by the United Way late in May.

Hancock Saves' goal is to promote and increase saving and debt reduction to encourage financial stability through education and awareness. The agency has been in existence since 2005 in coop-

eration with the extension office. More than 500 people take part in Hancock Saves each year.

The organization, which gained 501(c)(3) status in February, had been paying the salary of a program coordinator with grant funding from The Findlay-Hancock County Community Foundation.

Benefits of becoming a United Way partner agency include eligibility to apply for funding, marketing and public relations support and volunteer training.

Revolving Loan Fund to Offer Interest-Free Assistance to Students at UF

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The University of Findlay.

"The University of Findlay plays a huge role in providing educational opportunities to students. On behalf of the Schell Foundation, it is our pleasure to present this four-year revolving loan fund," said Shrader.

The Charles E. Schell Foundation was established in 1932 by Charles E. Schell of Cincinnati as a trust to be used for the educational benefits of citizens of Ohio, Kentucky and West Virginia and adjoining states. Recipient colleges lend the money interest-free to students.

The individual recipients are asked to repay their interest-free loans to create a revolving loan fund at the college to benefit future students.



Mary Beth Hammond, Jeff Shrader, Karen Fraker, all representing Fifth Third Bank, and Katherine Rowe Fell, Ph.D., president and Martin Terry, vice president for business affairs, representing the University.

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Summer Camps Are Fun on Campus



Students at the CSI:Findlay camp collect physical evidence from a mock crime scene on campus. The students took the evidence back to a laboratory for further examination.



The Wapakoneta High School girls' basketball coach and team members take a break in the cool air conditioning of the Koehler Complex during camp.



A young equestrian participates in English equestrian camp.



Jordyn Seredich of Chardon, Ohio, enjoys her second summer as a student at the summer western equestrian school.



Several young athletes practice batting skills during baseball camp.



Future UF students get an up-close look at cell samples as they explore many careers options presented to them during pharmacy camp on campus.

Photos by A. Rasser Lee

Mazza Receives Donation from Iceland

The University's Mazza Museum recently received an original oil painting, which appears in the book "The Problem with Chickens" by Bruce McMillan, from the Icelandic artist Gunnella.

"The Problem with Chickens" has received awards including Publisher's Weekly Best Children's Book, New York Times Best Illustrated Book, Parent's Choice Foundation Approved Picture Book and Maine Humanities Council Born to Read selection.

Gunnella's paintings are displayed throughout Iceland and abroad, and she has participated in many exhibitions. In 2000, her painting "Summer Day in the Country" was selected as one of



This painting by Icelandic artist Gunnella was donated to the Mazza Museum. It appears in the book "The Problem with Chickens" by Bruce McMillan.

only five paintings to represent Iceland in the largest international painting competition in the world; the work traveled as part of a group

exhibit in London, Stockholm and New York.

Gunnella's inspiration comes from Icelandic traditions and history.

New Endowment Funds Benefit Many

Faculty and staff at The University of Findlay continue to support the institution with new endowed funds to encourage faculty and student research and support students enrolled at UF.

The **College of Pharmacy** Faculty Advancement Endowment Fund has been established through contributions from faculty members within the College of Pharmacy.

The distributions are intended to provide faculty members with additional resources to achieve a higher level of excellence by funding activities and/or resources over and above those funded by the College's normal operating budget.

In conjunction with the 125th Endowed Fund Drive, and through the generosity of the members of the **Graduate Research and**

Scholarship Committee, the UF Graduate Research and Scholarship Committee Endowment Fund was established.

This fund is intended to provide the dean of graduate and professional studies with the resources needed to achieve a higher level of excellence by funding activities over and above those provided by the normal operating budget. Funds may be used to facilitate research activities for graduate faculty and students and to support the professional dissemination of research results.

Also in conjunction with the 125th Endowed Fund Drive, the faculty and staff of the **College of Business** established the College of Business Faculty Development Endowment Fund.

This fund will be used to provide the awardees with the resources needed for faculty development. Special consideration will be given to tenure-track faculty who are working toward tenure.

A third new fund established in conjunction with the 125th Endowed Funds Drive, the **UF Bookstore** Book Fund has been established with proceeds from recycled, used textbooks to assist students in obtaining appropriate textbooks for academic course work.

For information about establishing an endowed fund at the University, please contact the Office of Development at extension 5334.

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